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FOR DR BRZEZINSKI ONLY

FOLLOWING REPEAT CAIRO 13828 ACTION STATE AUG 19.

QUOTE S E C R E T CAIRO 13828

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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EG US FR PLO

SUBJ: PLO REQUEST TO MEET WITH EMBASSY OFFICER

1. POLITICAL COUNSELOR HAS JUST RECEIVED FOLLOWING HANDWRITTEN
MESSAGE FROM FIRST SECRETARY OF FRENCH EMBASSY (EMBASSY TRANSLA-
TION):

"CAIRO, 19 AUGUST, 1977

"MY GOOD FRIEND,

"I MET THIS MORNING WITH MR. SAID KAMAL, ASSISTANT

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TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE POLITICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE PLO,
WHO IS LEAVING FOR PARIS AND LONDON AUGUST 22.

"HE ASKED ME TO TELL YOU THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO
MEET WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF YOUR EMBASSY TO GIVE HIM
AN "IMPORTANT MESSAGE". (THAT'S WHAT HE SAID*)
THIS "INFORMAL" ENCOUNTER WOULD BE SECRET AND WOULD
NOT BE THE OBJECT OF ANY PUBLICITY AT ALL. HE SUGGESTS

THAT THE MEETING BE HELD AT MY HOME. I TOLD HIM I AM MOST WILLING TO RECEIVE YOU BUT PERHAPS YOU WOULD PREFER TO MEET ELSEWHERE. (IT'S UP TO YOU, ANYWAY*

"SINCE MR. KAMAL MUST LEAVE CAIRO THE 22ND, HE WOULD APPRECIATE A QUICK RESPONSE, POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE."

2. SHOULD BE RECALLED THAT SAID KAMAL MADE EXACTLY THE SAME PROPOSAL IN 1974, USING A TUNISIAN EMBASSY GO BETWEEN. EVENTUALLY, IT BECAME CLEAR THAT KAMAL WAS INTERESTED MAINLY IN AGGRANDIZING HIS OWN POSITION. HE MAY INDEED HAVE SOMETHING TO COMMUNICATE THIS TIME, ALTHOUGH I JUDGE THAT ANY SERIOUS PROPOSAL FROM THE PLO WOULD, UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES BE MORE LIKELY TO BE CHANNELED THROUGH EGYPTIAN OR OTHER FRIENDLY ARAB GOVERNMENT. ASSUME WE SHOULD TELL FRENCH NO SUCH MEETING POSSIBLE. PLEASE ADVISE. EILTS UNQUOTE VANCE

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